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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: FR, PINT
SUBJECT: VISIT OF RPR NATIONAL DELEGATE TO US

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1. AT LUNCH WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE GAULLIST
RASSEMBLEMENT POUR LA REPUBLIQUE ON APRIL 26 (PARA 2
REFTEL) IT WAS REVEALED THAT JEROME MONOD WILL NOT BE
ABLE TO VISIT THE US AS PLANNED. RATHER IN HIS STEAD
WILL TRAVEL JEAN-CLAUDE SERVAN-SCHREIBER, NATIONAL
DELEGATE FOR SPECIAL MISSIONS AND MARIE-MONIQUE STECKEL,
NATIONAL DELEGATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS. THEY ARE ALREADY
IN TOUCH WITH A NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN THE MEDIA IN BOTH
NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON AND ARE ALSO WORKING THROUGH THE
FRENCH EMBASSY TO SET UP THEIR PROGRAM WHICH WILL LAST
FROM APRIL 30 TO MAY 7.

2. THEY SOUNDED EMBASSY OFFICIALS OUT ON WHETHER OR NOT
A MEETING WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN WOULD BE
ADVISABLE. WE RESPONDED THAT IN VIEW OF JACQUES CHIRAC'S
POSITION AS PRESIDENT OF THE LARGEST AND MOST DYNAMIC
MOVEMENT IN THE CURRENT MAJORITY, IN VIEW OF HIS POSI-
TION AS MAYOR OF PARIS AND AS FORMER PRIME MINISTER,
CONTACT WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT WOULD BE VERY USEFUL.
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IN EFFECT, THE GOAL OF THE TRIP IS TO "CORRECT" THE
IMAGE OF JACQUES CHIRAC AND THE RPR CURRENTLY HELD
BY THE US PUBLIC.

3. EMBASSY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT ANY REQUEST FROM
THE FRENCH EMBASSY OR OTHER SOURCES FOR SERVAN-SCHREIBER
TO BE ACCORDED A MEETING BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN

BE CONSIDERED FAVORABLY. RPR HIERARCHY IS SERIOUSLY CONCERNED NOT ONLY WITH THE IMAGE IT HOLDS IN AMERICAN MEDIA AND PUBLIC SENTIMENT, BUT ALSO WITH THE INFLUENCE THAT OFFICIAL AMERICAN OPINION HAS ON INTERNAL FRENCH POLITICS. IN ESSENCE, THE VISIT WOULD AMOUNT TO LITTLE MORE THAN A COURTESY CALL WITH THE EVENTUAL GOAL OF MORE IN-DEPTH CONTACT LATER ON.

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